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1. Vietnam

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2. Arab States

King Hussein confirms that the United Arab Command has issued a directive to the Arab countries bordering Israel to select appropriate Israeli targets for retaliation purposes. The targets selected are to include "economic projects." Each Arab country is to prepare up to one brigade (approximately 1,000 men) to conduct retaliatory raids into Israel.

The US Embassy in Amman believes that this plan would be invoked only in response to what the Arabs considered a clear-cut act of Israeli aggression. The Embassy warns, however, of the danger that they might overreact to relatively minor provocation.

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3. Cyprus

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In Ankara, Turkish Foreign Minister Isik told Secretary Rusk that his government can give no promise to consult NATO before starting any military action to protect or support the Turkish Cypriots. Isik also told the Secretary that Turkey is "really interested" in talking to the Greek Government if there is some prospect of concrete results. He said he feared, however, that it would not be possible to preserve relations with Greece if the urgent question of the physical situation of the Turkish Cypriots is not settled within a "normal" period of time.

4. British Guiana

A smoldering argument between Prime Minister Burnham and Finance Minister D'Aguiar over tax policy has again brought the coalition government to the point of collapse. Ambassador Carlson reports that D'Aguiar and his party colleagues have consulted the governor on the procedure to be followed to resign, and presumably will do so soon if Burnham does not concede.

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